

Education Standards and Practices Board

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MINUTES -- August 9, 1995

The Education Standards and Practices Board members present: Dr. Mary Harris, Dr. Doug Johnson, Linda Davis, Maryjane Martens, Don Haugen and Marilyn Ridenhower. Board members absent Sue Andrews, Randy Gordon, Bev Sandness and Michael Schatz Visitors present: Helen Busche, Nancy Sande, Larry Klundt and Ron Stastney.

The minutes of the April 21 and the May 19th meeting were approved. Motion made by Linda Davis, with Maryjane Martens making the motion to second.

The financial report is not available at this time but will be available for the October minutes.

Election of officers was held Maryjane Martens was elected chair and Dr. Doug Johnson was elected associate chair Motion made by Don Haugen, with Linda making the motion to second.

Discussion was held on the Rules and Regulation changes that were submitted to the Attorney General's Office. Bob Lane (Attorney General's Office) questioned the \$5 application fee within the fee structure. He felt this might be discriminating to out-of-state applicants. Discussion was held by the Board regarding the 2.5 GPA. The Board would like to maintain the 2.5 minimum and when computing the GPA averages, rounding is to be done to the 100th (2.500). It was suggested by the Board to contact the college registrars about the rounding of this 2.500 average. The Board also would like to keep the policy in place dealing with certification expiration dates. An applicant can reapply no more than six months before the certificate expiration date.

Spooner Vs. Collins case The Board decided not to hear the case. The Board felt that the case was to be resolved at the local level, that the administration offer consistent supervision and the affected educator attend to the recommendations of the administrator. Dr Mary Harris made the motion, with Don making the motion to second. A letter with the Board's recommendation was to be sent to the Superintendent and to the Spooners.

Dr Mary Harris gave a brief summary on her recommended changes on the program approval standards manual. Copies of the noted changes are to be made available to the Board Mary stressed the importance of training/retraining the evaluators, trainers, etc. Marilyn and Ron Stastney will try to arrange for a joint team training session with the NCA and NCATE team trainers sometime in mid October/November

Marilyn informed the Board of her efforts and the efforts of Cheryl Kulas (DPI staff member) to meet with tribal chairs about working with the new law re: with SB 2491 on Native American language funding. They will keep trying to meet with the tribal chairs as well as trying to meet with Indian Education Association members.

A Bridges Middle School Grant of \$10,000 has been made available to work with college deans dealing with regular coursework program for middle school degree instead of a middle school endorsement. The Board needs to recognize the middle school endorsement as a degree for grade levels 1-6 and 7-8

Ron Stastney reported on the role of DPI on the credential approval status. The Board does not have any authority of credentialing. Marilyn has agreed to do the credential approval process for the biennium. If any problems arise, Marilyn will discuss the problems with Ron. Marilyn will review the credential, with Ron signing off on the certificate/evaluation.

Other business discussion was held on an internship for the assistant director position. Mary and Marilyn will check into possible candidates for the internship for the assistant director position. After October, develop an evaluation tool for the Executive Director and Assistant Director job descriptions. Also develop a mission statement.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:30 p.m.

Maryjane Martens
ESPB Charles

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ESPB Secretary

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